

AN ENORMOUS STORY.

New Developments in Ghost-story.

STHES TALKING ALOUD AND EATING SLAP JACKS.

From the Spiritual Universe.

HARTFORD, Trumbull Co., O., Jan. 3, '55.

S. W. SMITH, Esq.—Dear Sir: The fact given in the enclosed affidavit of John Richardson are of public notoriety here, and can, no doubt, be sustained by any amount of evidence. You are at liberty to make any use of the affidavit you choose. Respectfully,

WM. J. BRIGHT.

The State of Ohio, Trumbull County, before me, WM. J. Bright, a Justice of the Peace, and for the county aforesaid, personally came John Richardson, who being duly sworn, deposes and swears before me, this 8th day of January, 1855.

W. J. BRIGHT,
Justice of the Peace.

Eliza Jane Richardson, being duly sworn says: I am the wife of John Richardson, who made the above affidavit. I have witnessed all the manifestations given by my husband in his affidavit, and many others such as singing by the voices, and writing without human agency.

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True joy is a serene and sober emotion; and they are miserable out, that take pleasure in rejoicing; the seat of it is within, and there is no cheerfulness like the resumption of a brave mind.

—Seneca.

Gratitude is the fairest blossom which springs from the soul; and the heart of man knows none more fragrant. While its presence does not on any mistake other things but is apt perpetually almost to mistake itself.

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The new Temperance law is fast stamping the jails in Vermont. Three of them have no occupants, two have only one inmate each, and the 4 verger number in the jails of the State is only three. Who doubts that the sale and free use of liquors are the greatest causes of pauperism and crime?

HALLETT AND JUDAS.—Benjamin F. Halllett was telling a wittie Bostonian how terribly he was abused by a repetition of the tragedy, and insisted that we should call in some of the neighbors to hear the disclosure. John Rooney, Henry Moore, and some dozen others were then called in, to whom the history was detailed at length. We could readily discover a difference in the voice professing to come from the two spirits.

About the third day after these manifestations commenced, my wife brought a ham of meat into the house, and laid it on the table and stepped to the other side of the room, when it was carried by some invisible agency from four to six feet from the table, and thrown upon the floor. This was followed by a large dining-table turning round from its position at the side of the room, and carried forward to the wove, a distance of more than six feet. This was done while there was no person near it. The same tactics have, since that time, been thrown on its side without human agency, and often been made to dance about while the tamly were going around it. At one time dishes, knives and forks, were thrown from the table to the opposite side of the room, breaking the dishes to pieces.

On another occasion the voice requested Mrs. Richardson to remove the dishes from the table which was done immediately, when the table commenced rocking violently back and forward, and continued the motion, so that the dishes could not be washed upon it, but were placed in a vessel and set upon the floor, from which a number flew from the tub to the chamber floor over head, and were then broken to pieces. What crockery remained we attempted to secure by placing it in a cupboard, and shut the doors, which were thrown violently open, and the dishes flew to the lighting, one after another, against the opposite side, and broken to pieces. At another time a drawer in the table was, while there was no person near it, drawn out, and a plate that had been placed there, carried across the room, and broken against the opposite wall. And this kind of demonstration has continued until nearly all the crockery about the house has been broken and destroyed.

At different times the drawers of a stand sitting in a bedroom have been taken out, and at one time carfully placed on a bed. A large stove-poker has been, while on the stove, filled with water, tipped up, and caused to stand on our end, and the water was turned out on the floor and at this time taken off from the stove, and carried some six feet, and set down upon the floor, and this while untouched by any person. A red teatite has often been taken from the stove in the same manner, and thrown upon the floor. At one time a spider, containing some coffee to the purpose of brewing, was taken from the stove, carried near the chamber floor, and then thrown upon the floor. And frequently while Mrs. Richardson has been baking buckwheat cakes on the stove, the gaudy mass in the same unaccountable manner, been taken from the stove and thrown across the house; and often cakes have been taken from the gaudy while baking, and disappeared entirely.

At one time the voice, speaking to a wife, said it (the spirit) could take cakes on George, boy eating at the table. Mr. Richardson stepped away from the stove, when the batter (already prepared for baking cakes) was soon unseen agency taken from a crock sitting near the stove, and placed upon the griddle, and turned at the proper time, and when done taken from the griddle, and placed upon the boy's plate at the table. The voice then proposed to bake a cake for Jane, his daughter, who was then at work about the house. The cake was accordingly baked in the same manner as before stated, and carried across the room and placed in the girl's hand.

During all these occurrences, the talking from the two voices and others has continued until constantly daily, together with such manifestations as I have detailed, with many others I have not named. The conversations, as well as the other demonstrations have been witnessed almost daily by myself and family, as well as by scores of persons who have visited my house, to witness the strange phenomena.

I will only add, that the spirit, (the voice) gave as a reason for breaking crockery and

destroying property, that it is done to cause the world of the existence of spirit essence.

JOHN RICHARDSON.

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